



## **MAYOR JERRY SANDERS PRESS RELEASE**

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### **SANDERS MAKES SEVERAL APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE MISSION BAY PARK COMMITTEE**

**SAN DIEGO** – Mayor Jerry Sanders has appointed Bill Bushe, Mike Dukor, Monica Fuentes, Jim Greene, Mort McCarthy, Gregg Peterson and Billy Paul and reappointed Richard Miller, Karl Jaedtke, Judith Swink, Rick Bussell, Donald Peterson and Margaret Pamela Glover for service on the Mission Bay Park Committee (MBPC), subject to City Council confirmation.

Bill Bushe is a retired Attorney and longtime community volunteer who regularly rows and kayaks on Mission Bay. He presently serves on the Ocean Beach Planning Board and on its Bylaws and Precise Plan subcommittees. He is a Board Member of the Ocean Beach Historical Society and served on the Robb Field Recreation Council for 13 years. He is a resident of Ocean Beach and will replace Mindy Pellessier as a representative of the Ocean Beach Planning Board.

Mike Dukor is co-founder of the law firm of Duckor Spradling Metzger & Wayne where his practice focuses on healthcare, financial institutions, employment, securities, construction and real property litigation. In addition he has extensive experience as a private mediator and arbitrator in complex business, real estate, construction and personal liability matters. Mr. Duckor is a resident of Mission Beach. Mr. Duckor will replace Bob Ottalie, who does not wish to seek reappointment.

Monica Fuentes is a flight attendant for Delta Airlines, a longtime volunteer in community improvements efforts and a founding member of Friends of Ruffin Canyon. Ms. Fuentes served as Board Member of the Serra Mesa Community Council and served as Captain for the Serra Mesa location of the I Love A Clean San Diego Creek to Bay Cleanup this year. Ms. Fuentes is a resident of Serra Mesa and will replace Ryan Levinson.

Jim Greene is a member of the Mission Bay Lessees Association and the General Manager of the Bahia Hotel. Mr. Greene has been with Evans Hotels since 1993, working at both the Catamaran and Bahia Hotels. Prior to joining Evans Hotels, Mr. Greene was a long-time manager with Marriott Hotels serving at Marriott properties in a half dozen cities across the United States. Mr. Greene is Chairman of the Mentoring Committee at Mount Miguel High School and was President of the

Mission Bay Rotary Club in 1999 and 2000. Mr. Greene will replace Moshen Khaelghi as the Associations representative of hotel lessees.

Mort McCarthy is Vice President of the Mission Bay Lessees Association and the Managing Director for Burnham Real Estate's Asset Management Group. Experienced in managing industrial and retail real estate, Mr. McCarthy also handles negotiations, property due diligence, transactions dispositions and financing. Prior to his service with Burnham, Mr. McCarthy completed a 21-year career with the U.S. Navy finishing his naval service in Washington, D.C. as a budget and acquisitions requirement officer for the aviation branch of the Pentagon. Mr. McCarthy will replace Ted Jardine as the Association's representative of non-hotel lessees.

Billy Paul is a former Marine and Vietnam veteran and a graduate of San Diego State University. A resident of Clairemont he has been a member of the Clairemont Mesa Planning Committee for 14 years, helped re-form the Clairemont Town Council and has been a Board member there for 12 years. In addition he is the Chair of the Balboa Avenue Citizens Advisory Committee and a member of Friends of Rose Creek. Prior to his volunteer work in Clairemont, Mr. Paul was elected to the Ocean Beach Planning Board in 1976 where he helped to write the Ocean Beach Precise Plan, was instrumental in preserving Formosa Slough. Mr. Paul will replace Chris Rink as a representative of the Clairemont Mesa Planning Group.

Gregg Peterson is a Senior Clinical Project Manager with Somaxon Pharmaceuticals, Inc., lives one block from Mission Bay and regularly attends the MBPC meetings. As a resident Mr. Peterson has the first-hand perspective of a daily park user: sailing out of the Dana Landing Marina, rowing with the San Diego Rowing Club, SCUBA diving, as well as jogging and walking his dog on the beach and path. In addition Mr. Peterson's educational background in Biology and Bioethics provides a unique understanding of marine ecosystems. Mr. Peterson will replace Kevin Faulconer who has resigned.

Further, Mayor Sanders intends to appoint Rick Bussell as Chair of the Committee. Mr. Bussell, a resident of Bay Park, has served on the Linda Vista Community Planning Committee since 2001 and the Mission Bay Park Committee since 2003. Mr. Bussell will also serve on the Park & Recreation Board.

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